

A D V E R T I S E M E N T.

THAT by act of Council, dated 25th November 1767, the Magistrates and Town Council of Edinburgh, approved of the Report of their Committee, bearing, among other Things, " That they apprehended the ordering of each Bye-pipe, within the City and Liberties, to have a Stop-Cock, was intended as a Compulsatory for payment of the Water-duty, and that Part of the Water might be taken off in Time of Scarcity; but, as Matters now stand, these Stop-Cocks are no Compulsatory for Payment of the Water-duty; and as there is, in many Instances, but one Stop-cock for a Number of Pipes, It becomes difficult to take off the Water properly in Case of a Scarcity. That, after conversing with persons of Skill, they found that this was owing to many of the Bye-pipes not being taken from the Wells, but from one another: Therefore they were of Opinion, That, in Place of stopping the Water, for not Payment of the Duty, That, in Time coming, the Overseer of the Water should be ordered to cut off such Pipes, of which the Duty is not paid per Advance, within four Weeks after the Term of Payment; previous Intimation being made to the Possessors, that their Pipes are to be cut off for Non-payment. And that, for the future, Care should be taken that proper Stop-cocks be put upon such Pipes as are to be granted by the Council." And the Council further ordered the City Chamberlain, and the Overseer of the Water, to see the same carried into Execution.

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EDINBURGH *the 26 Day of June* — 1778

REceived from *M^r Loch of Drylaw*

the sum of Ten shillings sterling

as One — Years Water-duty, payable by him to the City of Edinburgh; for the Privilege of a Bye-pipe to his house west side Sandreus Square

viz. from the Term of Whitsunday 1778

*to the Term of Whitsunday
Nine Years, by me
L. 10.*

*One thousand seven hundred and Seventy
Hugh Buchanan Clerk*